

Junior Conservationist Award Program

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What is the program?

The Junior Conservationist Award Program is combined working and learning experience in conservation and resource management. Its purpose is to stimulate a continuing interest in the good management of our natural environment. The program offers an exciting challenge and a busy and interesting summer. It is administered by the Ministry of Natural Resources. Experienced department personnel are in charge of the participants at all times.

What does the program cover?

It covers a wide range of projects and activities in environmental management. Particular emphasis is placed on water and its relationship to soil, forestry, wildlife, and recreation. Participants are given an opportunity to take active part in individual and group projects and studies. Activities include watershed management studies, pollution, soil erosion, forestry, and wildlife management. The program includes visits to laboratories, sewage treatment plants, power generation stations, universities, and museums.

What is the pay?

Participants receive \$5.00 a day, based on a 6-day week. Sometimes work may be necessary on Sundays. When this occurs, a day off is given during the week. All meals and lodging are provided. Accommodation may be in a field studies centre, a univer-

sity residence, or a camp. When in the latter, participants may be expected to do their share of housekeeping duties. There is ample opportunity for recreation — swimming, fishing, archery and trap-shooting.

How long is the program?

The program covers a seven week period from late June to the middle of August.

How can I qualify?

If you have demonstrated an interest in conservation by active membership in a club, organization, or group with continuing nature or conservation activities, you may qualify. You must have reached your 16th birthday but not have turned 19 by June 30th. Applicants must be sponsored by a conservation organization, club, or by their school or conservation authority.

How do I apply?

- Obtain an application form from a sponsoring organization or the Ministry of Natural Resources, Parliament Buildings, Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario.
- Complete form and obtain required signatures.
- Return application form to sponsoring organization not later than April 17.

Sponsoring Organizations include the following: 4-H Clubs (Ministry of Agriculture and Food), Resource Rangers (Ontario Forestry Association), Nature Clubs, Sportsmen's Clubs, Boy Scouts.

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